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(54) **DIRECT SCATTER LOADING OF EXECUTABLE SOFTWARE IMAGE FROM A PRIMARY PROCESSOR TO ONE OR MORE SECONDARY PROCESSOR IN A MULTI-PROCESSOR SYSTEM**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

In a multi-processor system, an executable software image including an image header and a segmented data image is scatter loaded from a first processor to a second processor. The image header contains the target locations for the data image segments to be scatter loaded into memory of the second processor. Once the image header has been processed, the data segments may be directly loaded into the memory of the second processor without further CPU involvement from the second processor.

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